

## The Silent Protest of Man's Inner Spirit

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In an age where materialism and consumerism constitute the norm, society has been testament to distrust and disharmony among peoples. These present times lead many to espouse the principle that, "the end justifies the means." As men of justice, however, lawyers are tasked to observe a passion for truth in order to serve an honorable purpose in society. Such an advocacy for human values finds itself the focus of the valedictory address delivered by Manuel Teehankee during the Commencement Exercises of the Ateneo de Manila University Law School on 24 March 1983.